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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, submitted herewith are copies of one (1) reference cited in the enclosed search report of a corresponding Japanese patent application. For the Examiner's convenience, we have enclosed an English translation of the Japanese search report and a

completed Form PTO-1449. The statement is not a representation that all of the information cited is necessarily effective as prior art against the application.

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I hereby state that each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than 3 months prior to the filing of this statement, and that this is the first citation of these prior art references by a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign patent application.

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Applicant(s) respectfully request(s) that the disclosed reference(s) be made of record in the subject application.

Respectfully submitted,

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